

pealed to had responded. I said that the delegates had asked Miss Bowes what she would take, and she had given a prompt reply; it was now our duty to say what we would give irrespective of churches, as she was employed by the W. C. T. U. I proposed that we should give her \$200, myself offering \$25 toward it. There was applause from ministers and citizens present, but my proposition was angrily refused by Mrs. Gleason and her committee.

At the next meeting the excuse was made that if they did engage Miss Bowes it would be impossible to collect the money for her salary as they were so far in arrears for the last year's salary. I very much doubted this statement, but to be absolutely certain, before the next regular meeting on December 22nd, on my own responsibility, I called upon tradesmen in the town to give me guarantees for Miss Bowes' salary as City Missionary for 1900. In less than an hour and a half I received guarantees from reliable persons for \$85. This I told in the meeting on December 22nd.

At this meeting we received guarantees for over \$500 toward Miss Bowes' salary for 1900. Following is a classified list:

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| Homer Street M. E. church..... | \$120 |
| Epworth League and Sunday school..... | 30 |
| St. Andrew's church..... | 50 |
| Mrs. J. J. McDonald and others would collect..... | 60 |
| Mrs. C. C. Eldridge..... | 50 |
| City merchants guarantees..... | 85 |
| Two ladies..... | 24 |
| Two gentlemen..... | 50 |
| One gentleman..... | 12 |
| One lady..... | 25 |

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Miss Bowers offered her services at \$550 for the year.

The next day, December 23rd, Mrs. Gleason called to ask me to give up the guarantees I had collected to Mrs. Minnie McDonald, Treasurer for W. C. T. U., but on pointing out the fact that Miss Bowes had not yet been engaged for the year 1900 by the W. C. T. U., I decided to keep the guarantees.